

REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed 11/15/06, the Examiner restricted Claims 1-46 into the following groups: Group I (Claims 1-26), Group II (Claims 27-31), and Group III (Claims 32-46). Applicants herein elect, without traverse, to prosecute the claims of Group I (Claims 1-26). Applicants also herein cancel Claims 27-46 in order to further their business interests and the prosecution of the present application, yet without acquiescing to the Examiner's arguments, and while preserving the right to prosecute the canceled (or similar) claims in the future.

The Examiner has further required the following species elections: 1) one of the species of human food and pet food and 2) one of the species of a capsule, a capsule having an enteric coating and a gelatin capsule. The Applicants hereby elect the species of human food and a capsule with an enteric coating. Claims 1, 2, and 4-10 are readable upon the species of human food. Claims 1-17 and 19-20 are readable upon the species of a capsule with an enteric coating. The Applicants remind the Examiner that upon allowance of a generic claim, the Applicants are entitled to consideration of claims to additional species that depend from or otherwise require all the limitation of the allowed generic claim (37 C.F.R. 1.141).

CONCLUSION

If a telephone interview would aid in the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned collect at (618) 218-6900.

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